

REMARKS

Status of the claims

With entry of the instant amendment, claims 1-23 have been cancelled and new claim 24 has been added. Cancellation of subject matter is without prejudice to subsequent revival for prosecution in a divisional or continuation application.

Claim 24 is pending in the application.


Claim 24 recites a composition comprising a polypeptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:54, and a physiologically acceptable carrier. This amendment adds no new matter. Support can be found, *e.g.*, on page 13, lines 32-35.

Restriction requirement

Although the restriction requirement is moot in view of the amendments to the claims, Applicants elect Group I, relating to polypeptides. Claim 24 reads on the elected group.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,


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